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TO : Chief, EE

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FROM : Chief of Base, Pullach

SUBJECT: GENERAL — Operational/HANDLING

SYNOPSIS — ZIPPER Operation ROESSLSPIRUNG

REFS: SPULL-0627, XLA-12594

1. Second reference described ZIPPER garbage operation PILJENDREGER, which is an operation mounted against two specific dumps in the Soviet Zone of Austria. What follows is a description of the workings of ZIPPER's garbage operation ROESSLSPIRUNG, i.e., their straight purchase of garbage from BEFINAL-103.

2. As stated in SPULL-8991 dated 12 October 1954, ZIPPER suspended its purchase of garbage from BEFINAL-103 in March 1954. ZIPPER renewed these garbage purchases from BEFINAL-103 just before Christmas 1954. The essential facts in this arrangement are as follows:

a. BEFINAL-103 meets V-13600 (Identity 1) approximately every two weeks in Wöerzl. BEFINAL-103 brings with him two bundles of garbage. One is for ZIPPER and the other for SYNOPIA. The latter bundle is taken by V-13600 to V-12723.2 (a safe house, no other details available at present) where it is photographed by V-4401 (Identity 2). V-13600, who is competent in Russian, sometimes spot-checks the SYNOPIA bundle at this stage. The SYNOPIA bundle is then returned to BEFINAL-103 by V-13600 in Wöerzl. BEFINAL-103: "We give you all the good stuff and give them all the junk."

b. The ZIPPER bundle is transmitted by V-4401 to a Bavarian border policeman on the Austrian side of the Kiefersfelden-Kufstein border crossing point (no further details on this person; ZIPPER headquarters claims they do not know who he is, and have not challenged Dienststelle 12 as to his true identity) who takes it back to Germany. According to ZIPPER, he has been assured that it is not contraband. V-4401 then picks it up again on the German side and delivers it to V-4430 (Identity 3) who is the Dienststelle 12 staff man responsible for the conduct of the operation.

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c. The undeveloped film of the SHYOPIA bundle is brought by V-13600 over the border to V-4430.

d. V-4430 meets BEFINAL-103 approximately once a month in the Federal Republic or the French Zone of Austria to discuss the operation.

e. None of the garbage received via ROESSELSPIRUNG is processed in any form until it reaches ZIPFER headquarters.

3. According to ZIPFER their relationship to BEFINAL-103 is strictly one of "money for garbage". They do not consider him a member of ZIPFER (although he has been assigned the number V-13690), but deal with him knowing full well that he is a famous European intelligence peddler who sells his material to any services. Providing that BEFINAL-103 survives vis-a-vis the Austrian authorities, ZIPFER has no plans for additional garbage operations. (Note: In early 1954 ZIPFER (Immo Bavaria) had considered organizing an operation which would exploit individual collectors more or less in competition with BEFINAL-103. This plan was later dropped. The subject of ECIA-9504 was one of their proposed candidates for this plan. This answers paragraph 2 of ECIA-1035.)

4. Current costs, for the purchase of the garbage alone, are approximately DM 3,000 per month.

5. The role of the SHYOPIA material is most interesting, particularly in view of the KUBARK/SHYOPIA dealings re BEFINAL-103 in recent months.

6. Traces are requested on Identities 1, 2, and 3.

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Separate Enclosure to ECLA-13003

Identity 1 - ~~X~~ DIDINGER, Josef (true name)  
Born 8 March 1914 in Frankfurt/Main  
Resides Munich

Identity 2 - ~~X~~ FICHTER, Ludwig (true name)  
Born 25 March 1914 in Wallen (Sulzotenland) GSR  
Resides Munich

Identity 3 - ~~X~~ KORTNER, Fritz von (true name)  
Born 13 August 1914 in Munich

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